(b) No quarter is left as abandoned.

Land acquired by Bokaro Steel Plant

6139. SHRI MD. SALIM: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bokaro Steel Plant under the Steel Authority of India Limited, possesses land acquired by it but lying in excess as surplus land for want of expansion;

(b) if so, whether the Bokaro Steel Plant plans to dispose of or lease out the same; and

(c) whether it would be by open auction and/or through allotment on terms to displaced or local people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) The acquisition of land for the Bokaro Stele Plant and township is in accordance with the planned layout and construction is being taken up in phased manner. Part of the area is kept for dumping of Blast Furnace and Steel Melting shop slag, sludge and other plant's waste disposal, afforestation, green belt as a statutory requirement for environment control, development to township/associated civic amenities and installation of facilitiesto future technology upgradation.

(b) and (c) The question of disposing of land does not arise as there is no surplus land as mentioned in (a) above. However, a part of the land available may have to be leased out for providing civic amenities in the township. While leasing out land for the above purpose reservation @ 16.67 per cent each to SC, ST and displaced persons would continue to be followed, as per existing practice.

Appointment of Advisors at Bokaro Steel Plant

6140. SHRI MD. SALIM: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Advisors engaged by the Steel Authority of India Limited at Bokaro Steel Plant;

(b) if so, what special jobs beyond the 'standardised jobs' have been entrusted to them;

(c) whether such advisers are retired Governmment servants/SAIL employees;

(d) whether the existing fleet of officials are not fit for the discharge of such duties; and

(e) the total annual/monthly expenditure towards salary/perks for these advisors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Only four Advisors have been engaged by Bokaro Steel Plant.

(b) to (d) The officers who have been engaged as Advisors are retired SAIL/ Government employees and possess knowledge and skills in their respective fields by virtue of their long service in SAIL/Govt. which the management of Bokaro Steel Plant wanted to utilise for specific purposes/assignments of critical and sensitive nature.

(e) An expenditure of Rs. 2,46,985.41 has been incurred by Bokaro Steel Plant during the year 1993-94 towards salary and other expenses in respect of three Advisors. One Advisor was engaged only in April '94.

Manpower in Bokaro Steel Plant

6141. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of man-power both, Managerial and non-managerial and technical and non-technical in Bokaro Steel Plant as on date; and

(b) the total number of contractual workers engaged in (i) permanent jobs/ operation works and duration of contract with renewal (ii) in casual jobs on work charged basis and period thereof; (iii) jobs entrusted with Public undertakings viz. HSCL/KOTA/MAMC and (iv) in maintenance works, with site of works?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) The total number of manpower in Bokaro Steel Plant as on 30.4.94 is given below:

Area	Managerial	Non-Managerial	Total
Works	3116	31354	34470
Project	545	1634	2179
Services	1133	8154	9287
Medical	197	1324	1521
Casual	. .	271	271
Trainees	123	219	347
TOTAL . .	5119	42956	48075

(b) (i), (ii) and (iv): Details of contractors workers engaged by contractual agencies are as under:

Jobs	No. of Contractual workers with site of works	
	Site	Number
Maintenance/Operation works	Plant Maintenance works	1542
	Plant Operation works	859
Casual jobs on works charged basis . . .	Nil	Nil
		2401

1. No Worker is employed on permanent/ perennial nature of work.

2. Duration of contract ranges between six months and one year with further extension based on requirements for a very short period ranging between fifteen days and one month in order to complete the unfinished work, etc.

(b) (iii) Number of contractors workers engaged in jobs entrusted with public undertakings viz. HSCL/KOTA/ MAMC is as under:

Name of the PSU	No. of contractors workers engaged
HSCL	1834
Istrumentation Limited (Kota)	156
MAMC	Nil

Accidents in Visakhapatnam Steel Plant

6142. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 4163 given in the Rajya Sabha on April 22, 1994 and to state:

(a) the details of the remedial steps taken to check the recurrence of accidents in Visakhapatnam;

(b) whether safety items like helmets, shoes and uniforms are supplied to officers and workers of the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant and if so, since when; and

(c) whether quotations are also invited for the supply of these items and if so, the details of the quotations submitted by the suppliers during the last three years and the names of the suppliers on whom the orders were placed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) The details of the remedial steps taken by Visakhapatnam Steel Plant to check the recurrence of accidents are given in enclosed statement. (*See* below).

(b) Yes, Sir. Safety appliances like helmets, shoes etc. are supplied to workers including officers wherever necessary since beginning.

(c) Yes, Sir. Procurement of safety appliances like helmets, shoes etc. are made as per term of the standard procurement procedures by inviting quotations from reputed firms. The details of the quotations submitted by the suppliers during the last three years and the names of the suppliers on whom the orders were placed are being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

Details of the Remedial Actions taken by Visakhapatnam Steel Plant to check recurrence of accidents

(i) All accidents, major or minor, are investigated and remedial measures are taken

(ii) Regular shop-floor inspections are done and unsafe conditions liquidated. Use of safety appliances is also enforced.

(iii) Modern techniques like risk analysis, job safety analysis and safety audit are being applied to improve safety.